

Community Services Department

#### **MINUTES**

# Parks and Recreation Commission Meeting October 21, 2020

- 1. Call to Order/Roll Call: Chair Palmer called the meeting of the Parks and Recreation Commission to order at 6:32 p.m. Commissioners Present: Chair Palmer, Vice Chair Gonzales, Greenberg, Nigel, and Zastrow. Commissioners Excused: Martinucci and Zamattia. Staff Present: Brewer, Delay, Jones-Taylor, and Venezia.
- 2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE: Commissioner Greenberg led the Pledge of Allegiance
- 3. REVIEW OF AGENDA: MSC Zastrow/Gonzales
- 4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: Minutes from September 16, 2020. Unanimous.
- 5. **CONSENT CALENDAR:** None.
- 6. PUBLIC COMMENT ON ITEMS NOT ON AGENDA: None.

## 7. UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

a. Florida Park Soft Opening – **Superintendent Brewer** stated that there was a soft opening of Florida Avenue Park on October 3<sup>rd</sup>. A video taken during the opening by CityNet was shown.

**Tim O'Brien** stated that it was a great day and a well-organized event. He thanked the staff.

#### 8. **NEW BUSINESS**:

a. Consideration of a Recommendation to the City Council that Dogs Be Prohibited in Florida Avenue Park – **Strategic Advisor Jones-Taylor** stated that currently Florida Avenue Park allows leashed dogs per Municipal Code 9.16.011. Discussion about whether to prohibit dogs at this park.

The Commission all agree that parks of this size should allow dogs.

- Sharon Ravani supported leashed dogs at Florida Avenue Park.
- Pete Rodriguez supported leashed dogs at Florida Avenue Park.
- Reyna Burgos supported leashed dogs at Florida Avenue Park.
- Tim O'Brien supported leashed dogs at Florida Avenue Park, but would like bags for pick up, a garbage dispenser, a sign installed to remind people to pick up after their dogs, and a fence to surround the park.
- Claire Louie supported leashed dogs at Florida Avenue Park, but would like fencing and barricades for safety purposes, signs to remind people to pick up

after their dogs, and a garbage disposal.

Recommendation to City Council to allow dogs at Florida Avenue Park. **MSC Nigel/Gonzales**. Unanimous.

b. Receive Report and Discuss the Formation of Crestmoor Canyon Walking Trails Task Force – Strategic Advisor Jones-Taylor stated that staff was requesting the establishment of a task force to study and make recommendations for walking trails in the Crestmoor Canyon. Fire Chief Delay explained the current fire mitigation work in Crestmoor Canyon and the great opportunity this would be to partner with the community to create a small trail network. Timeline would be six to eight months out.

Vice Chair Gonzalez thought this was a great idea and presentation.

**Commissioner Nigel** strongly supported this.

**Commissioner Greenberg** thought this was a great idea for people who like the outdoors.

**Commissioner Zastrow** thought that it could be developed as a natural resource and an educational tool. He was in full support.

**Chair Palmer** thought this was an incredible opportunity for the City and for the public to get involved in something that was worthwhile. He stated that this was for consideration and continuation. He asked that this be carried forward into the next agenda.

#### 9. ITEMS FROM COMMISSIONERS:

 Junior Giants On Demand – Commissioner Greenberg announced that Junior Giants At Home would continue due to the overwhelming success during the summer. She shared their website and explained the content.

### 10. **ITEMS FROM STAFF**:

- a. Review Draft of Parks and Recreation Commission Report to City Council –
  Superintendent Brewer reviewed the report that Chair Palmer would present to City Council on November 10<sup>th</sup>.
- b. November and December Meeting Reminder **Superintendent Brewer** reminded everyone that the November meeting would be on November 18<sup>th</sup> and there would not be a December meeting.
- c. Fall & Winter Activity Update Superintendent Brewer stated current programs happening virtually and with social distancing. There will be a virtual Halloween costume contest, a Silly Challenge in City Park, and find Captain Jack Marrow. There are a few virtual and in-person classes in progress so the department can continue to make revenue and stay relevant as well as keep the community engaged. On October 29<sup>th</sup> will be Jinxed Joyride at the Tanforan parking structure. Commissioners are encouraged to help at the event. On December 3<sup>rd</sup> will be Jingle Around the Block. It will be a car parade that will visit all San Bruno neighborhoods. The parade will include police cars and Santa on a fire truck.

**Commissioner Nigel and Chair Palmer** thanked the Recreation Department for their commitment and creativity during Covid. **Vice Chair Gonzalez** thanked the limited staff at recreation and parks for all that they are doing.

11. **ADJOURNMENT**: With no other business to be conducted, **Chair Palmer** adjourned the meeting at 8:10 p.m.